

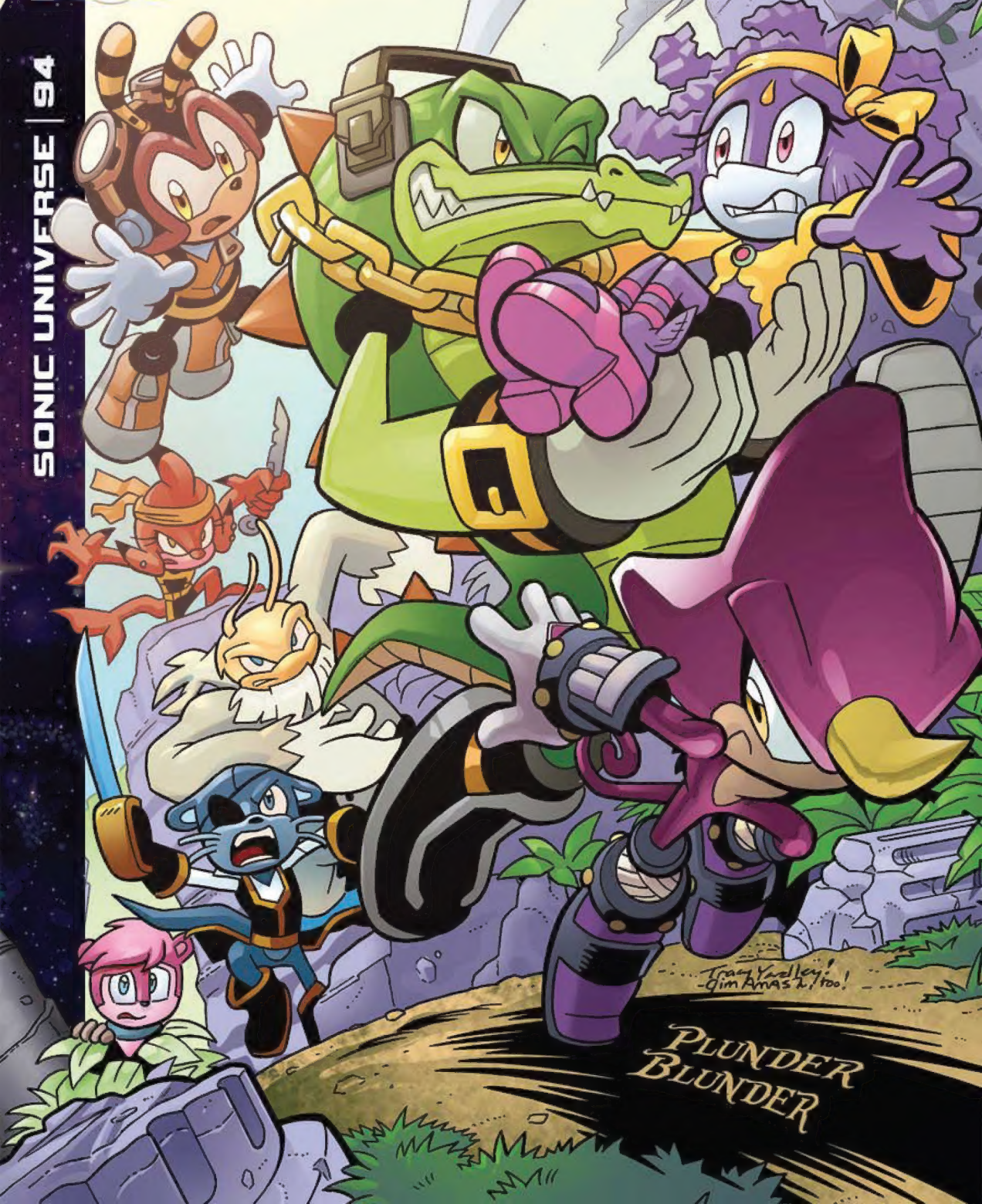
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Welcome to the Sonic Comic Universe—a world unique & beyond what you know from the SEGA games!  
Where Team Chaotix has gone under deep cover to infiltrate a pirate gang and save a princess!

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# SONIC UNIVERSE™



**TEAM CHAOTIX**  
DETECTIVES FOR HIRE



**UNDINA**  
PRINCESS OF MEROPIS



**RAZOR  
& CRUSHER**  
(EX?) PIRATE & CHAO



**SHELLBREAKER**  
CAPTAIN OF THE  
SETTING DAWN

## THE STORY SO FAR...

### UNLUCKY LANDLUBBERS

It was supposed to be a simple case for the Chaotix Detective Agency—find Princess Undina of Meropis, rescue her from her pirate kidnappers, and cash the fat reward check. Instead it turned into a desperate ruse as the goofy gumshoes “joined” the pirate crew.




As Vector tried to piece together a plan, the Shellbreaker Crew arrived at their destination: a mysterious and remote island. There Undina found warnings of an ancient and terrible weapon, which Cpt. Shellbreaker ordered unearthed.

Now the Chaotix not only have to save the princess and themselves, but deal with a long-lost terror...



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WE'D ARRIVED AT AN  
ANCIENT TOMB ON A  
FORGOTTEN ISLAND...

THE  
PRINCESS  
WARNED OF  
DANGER...

...BUT THE CAPTAIN  
DIDN'T CARE. HE WAS  
HOPING FOR TREASURE,  
OR WORSE...

...A WEAPON...

FORTUNATELY,  
FOR AN EXPERT  
ARCHAEOLOGIST  
LIKE MYSELF,  
THIS WAS--

The CASE  
of the

# Pirate Princess

**FINALE: IN A LONELY PLACE**

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WAIT A MINUTE--I'M NO  
ARCHAEOLOGIST! I'M A PIRATE!



NO, I'M NOT!  
DETECTIVE! I'M  
A DETECTIVE!



A DETECTIVE WHO'S  
ON THIN ICE HERE...

THIS DOESN'T LOOK  
QUITE LIKE THE OTHER  
ONES WE RAIDED...

YEAH,  
IT'S LIKE...  
FANCIER?

GOOD.  
MEANS  
WHATEVER  
AWAITS US  
IS LIKELY...









MIGHT BE THIS IS WORTH SOMETHIN', TO THE RIGHT PERSON. WE CAN GET THE TOOLS FROM THE LONGBOAT, GET IT LOOSE...

THEN WHAT WAS ALL THAT TALK O' DANGER? "UNTOLD DESTRUCTIVE POWER"? I WANTED A WEAPON, NOT WHAT LOOKS LIKE THE BROKEN TRINKET O' SOME LONG-DEAD FORTUNE-TELLING TWIT!



CAPTAIN, THERE'S SOMETHING HERE... LOOKS LESS WORN-OUT THAN THE OTHER WRITING.



READ IT, PRINCESS. NOW.

A-ALL RIGHT. Um...

"A HERO AT REST!"



"WHEN FAITH WAS LOST, YOU CONTINUED TO HOPE. WHERE RESOLVE WASHED AWAY, YOU STOOD, DETERMINED. WHEN HEARTS BECAME WEAK, YOU RESTORED UNITY. WHERE DARKNESS GATHERED, YOU BECAME THE LIGHT."

...Um... IT SOUNDS A LITTLE MORE POETIC IN THE ORIGINAL LANGUAGE, BUT... Oh, THERE'S MORE HERE...

PSST!



FINALLY!

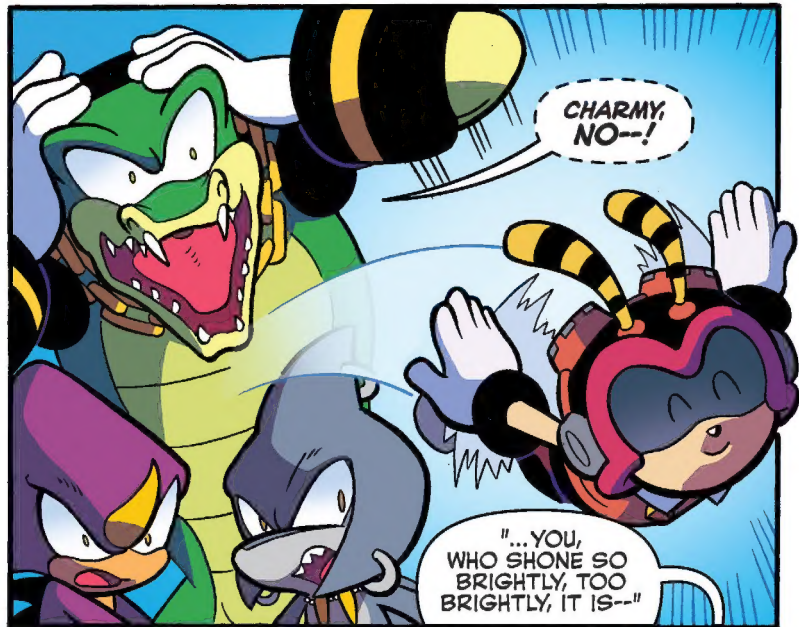


SHE'S HERE. ESPIO, YOU READY?

ROGER.

THIS IS LESS OF A "RESCUE PLAN" AND MORE LIKE A "SMASH 'N' GRAB," ISN'T IT...?









Oh, BOY. GUESS THAT'S OUR CUE...

Aw, REALLY?! I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE COOL!

GET DOWN!

NOW!

TRAITORS! I WON'T LEAVE ENOUGH OF YOU TO FEED THE BARNACLES!

PRINCESS, LET'S GO!

I WAS STARTING TO WONDER IF YOU GUYS HAD A PLAN!

Um, EXCUSE YOU!

NO STINGING!

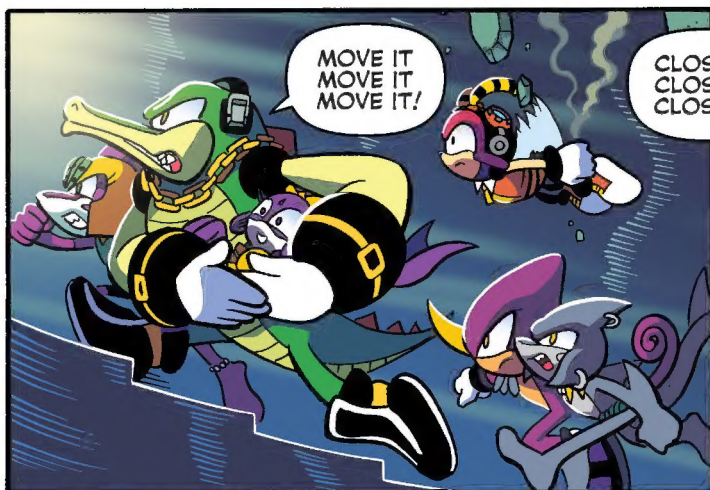
AH-!

OW!

...Eesh, DEENA... YOU'RE STRONGER THAN YOU LOOK...

Aww, YOU REALLY THINK SO?





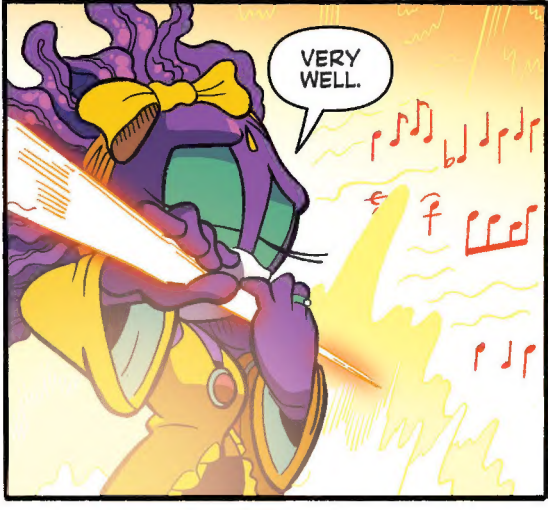




WAIT--YOU WANT TO **TRAP** THEM IN THERE? THEY'LL STARVE!

IT'S JUST FOR NOW! WE'LL SEND THE PROPER AUTHORITIES TO PICK THEM UP LATER BUT **RIGHT NOW** WE NEED TO **GET OUT OF HERE!**

PRINCESS, PLEASE!



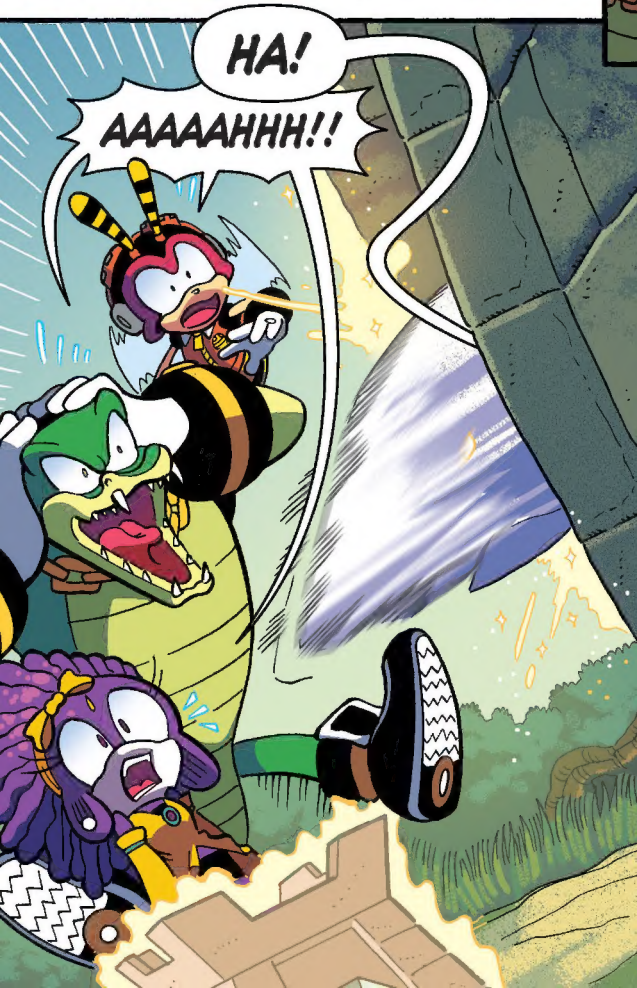
VERY WELL.



BY THE WAY, CHARMY, NICE GOING WITH THE WHOLE BATHROOM TRICK BACK THERE!

TRICK?

**BOOM!**



HA!

AAAAAHHH!!



GO! GO! FAST! NOW!

YEOUCH...!



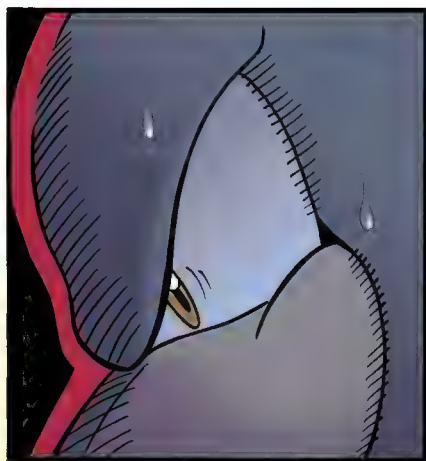
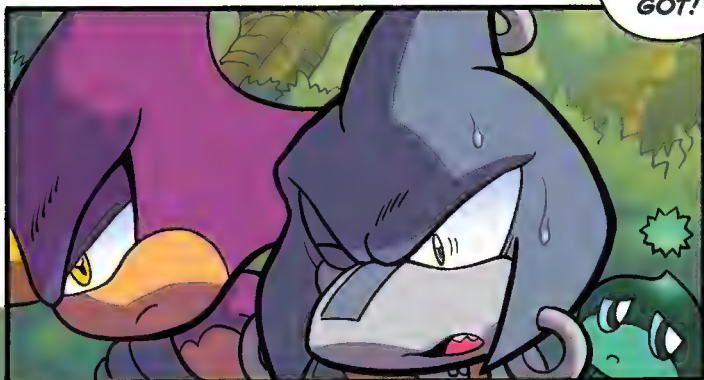


RAZOR!  
RAZOR!



YOU  
CAN'T DO  
THIS!

WE'RE  
THE ONLY  
FAMILY  
YOU'VE  
GOT!



NO.

YOU'RE  
NOT.



I DIDN'T  
GET A CHANCE  
TO SAY THIS  
LAST TIME...

GOOD-  
BYE, SIS.





Oh, so THAT'S WHY YOU TOOK SO LONG!

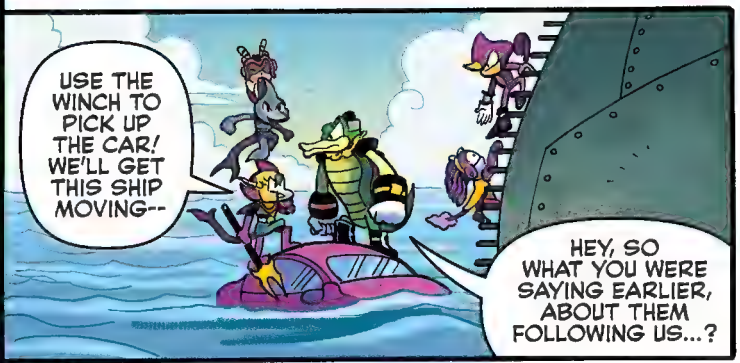
TO THE CAR! HURRY!

B-BUT GUYS! I-I MADE YOU BREAKFAST...!



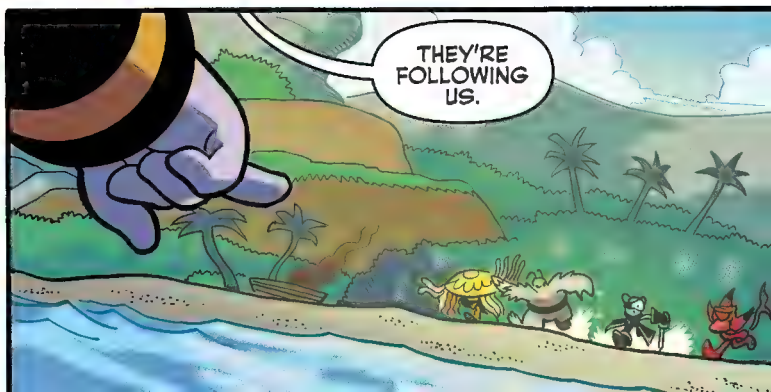
YAY! GOOD JOB, EVERYONE!~

LET'S NOT CELEBRATE JUST YET. WE'RE LOW ON FUEL-- WE STILL NEED TO TAKE CONTROL OF THE SETTING DAWN SO THERE'S NO CHANCE OF THEM FOLLOWING US.



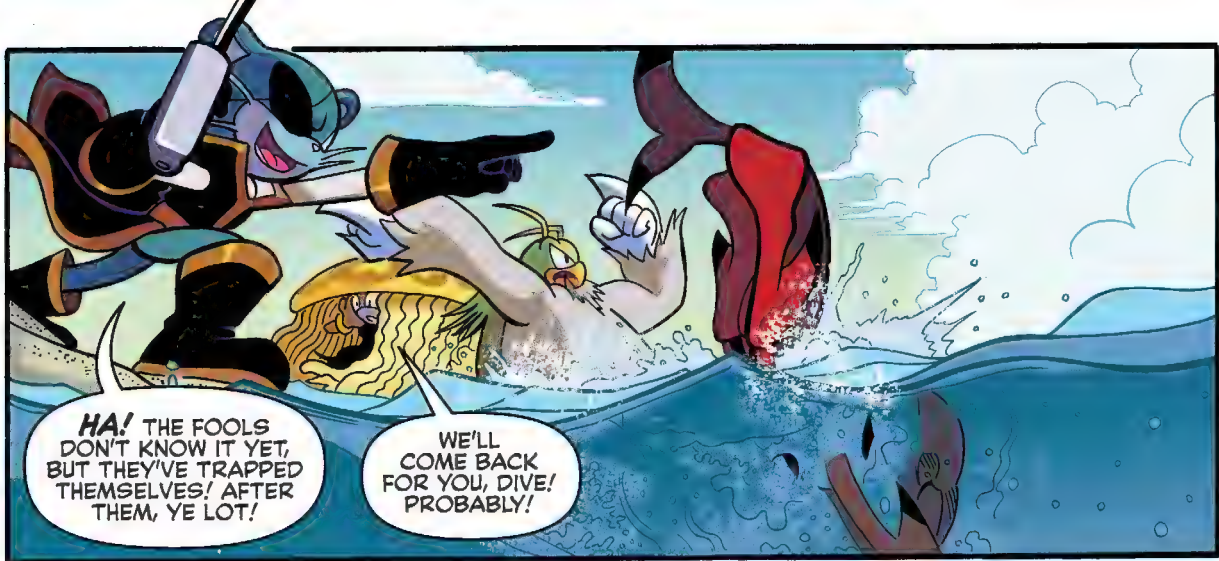
USE THE WINCH TO PICK UP THE CAR! WE'LL GET THIS SHIP MOVING--

HEY, SO WHAT YOU WERE SAYING EARLIER, ABOUT THEM FOLLOWING US...?



THEY'RE FOLLOWING US.





HA! THE FOOLS DON'T KNOW IT YET, BUT THEY'VE TRAPPED THEMSELVES! AFTER THEM, YE LOT!

WE'LL COME BACK FOR YOU, DIVE! PROBABLY!



...THEY'RE SERIOUSLY TRYING TO SWIM AFTER US.

HA! THEY CAN TRY ALL THEY WANT! WE'RE ABOUT TO MAKE 'EM EAT OUR DUST. ER, WAVES. WHATEVER!



AND AWAY-- WE-- GO!



...Uh...?

"ENTER PASSWORD TO INITIATE STARTUP."



WHAT IS IT? WHY HASN'T THE SHIP STARTED?

WHAT PASS-WORD?

I DON'T KNOW!

WHY DOES IT NEED A PASS-WORD?!

I DON'T KNOW!





GUYS!  
GUYS!  
THEY'RE  
COMING!

WHY  
AREN'T WE  
MOVING?!



RAZOR!  
TELL US  
THE PASS-  
WORD!

WHAT?  
WHAT  
PASS-  
WORD?!



CAN'T  
YOU JUST  
HACK IT  
OR SOME-  
THING?!

TRY  
TURNING  
IT OFF  
AND ON  
AGAIN!

WHAT,  
IN THE NEXT  
FIVE MINUTES?  
WE MIGHT AS  
WELL GET OUT  
AND PUSH!



YOU GOTTA HAVE **SOME**  
IDEA! THE CAPTAIN'S  
BIRTHDAY! THE NAME OF  
HIS MOTHER! HIS  
FAVORITE COFFEE  
BLEND! C'MON!

YOU'RE THE  
DETECTIVE,  
NOT ME!

ONE OF YOU  
MUST'VE SEEN  
SOMETHING...!



...WAIT...  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT...



YOU WERE PAYING  
ATTENTION ALL THAT  
TIME, WEREN'T YOU?  
NO WONDER YOU'RE  
NOT WORRIED!

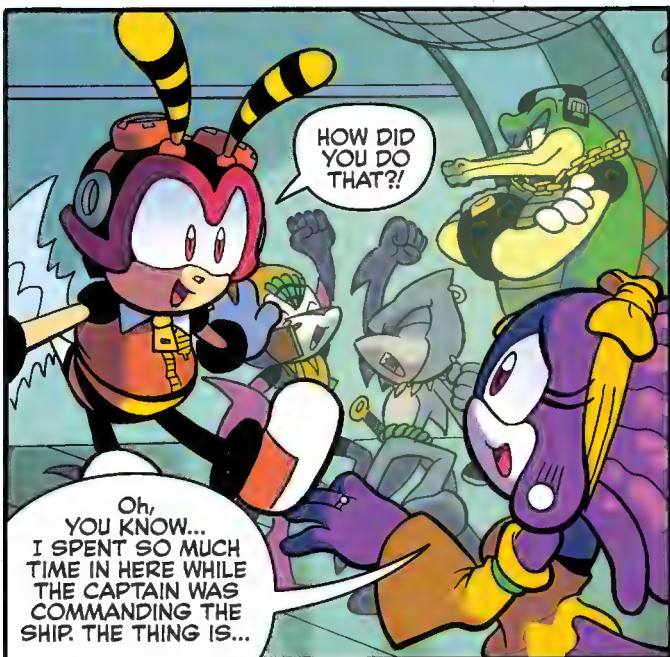
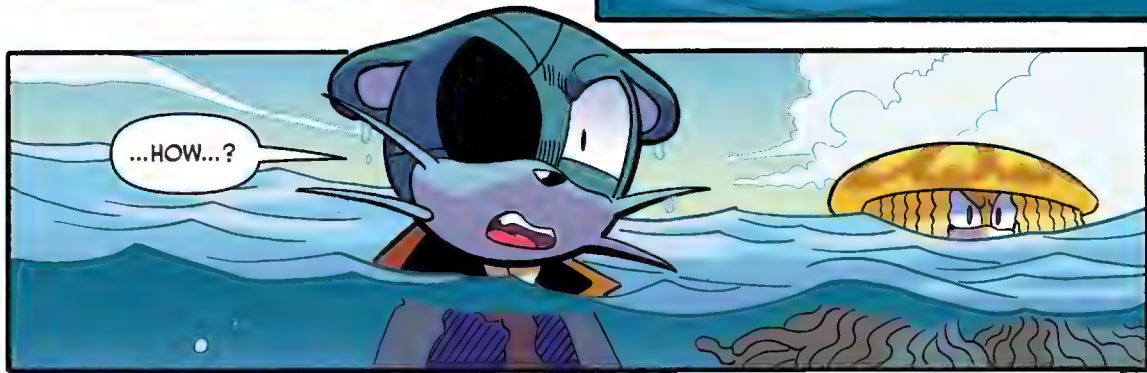
CARE TO  
DO THE  
HONORS...



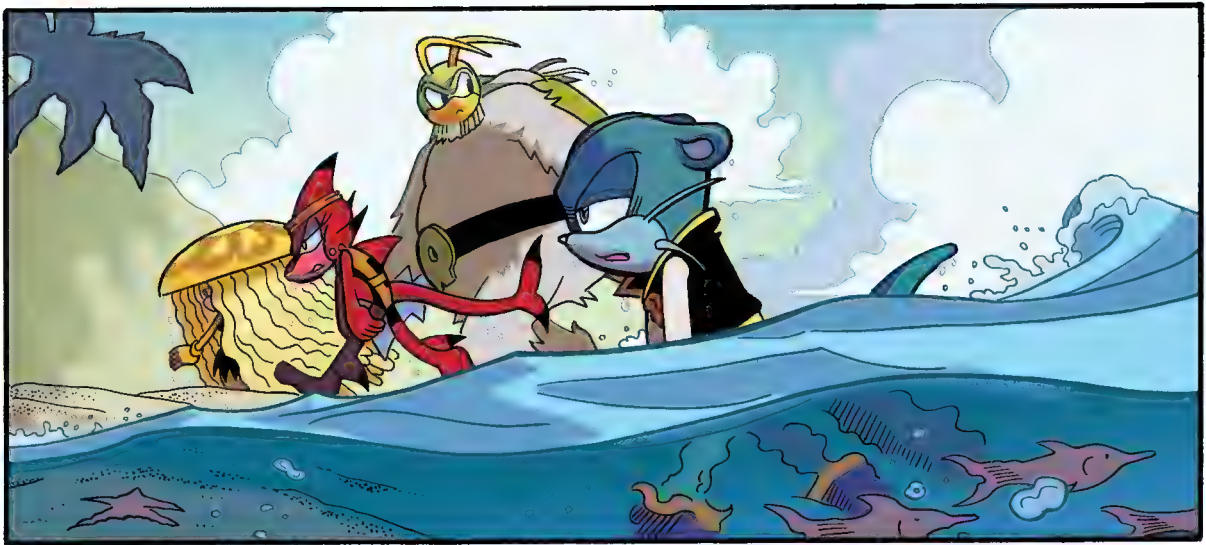
...PRINCESS?

I WAS  
STARTING  
TO WONDER  
IF YOU WERE  
EVER GONNA  
ASK.









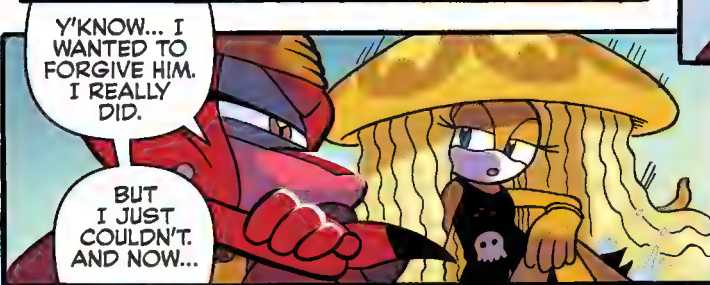
MAAAAAN...  
ALL MY STUFF  
WAS ON THAT  
SHIP.

I THOUGHT  
DEENA WAS COOL,  
YOU KNOW? AND THE  
KID WOULD'VE MADE  
A TOTALLY CUTE  
MASCOT...



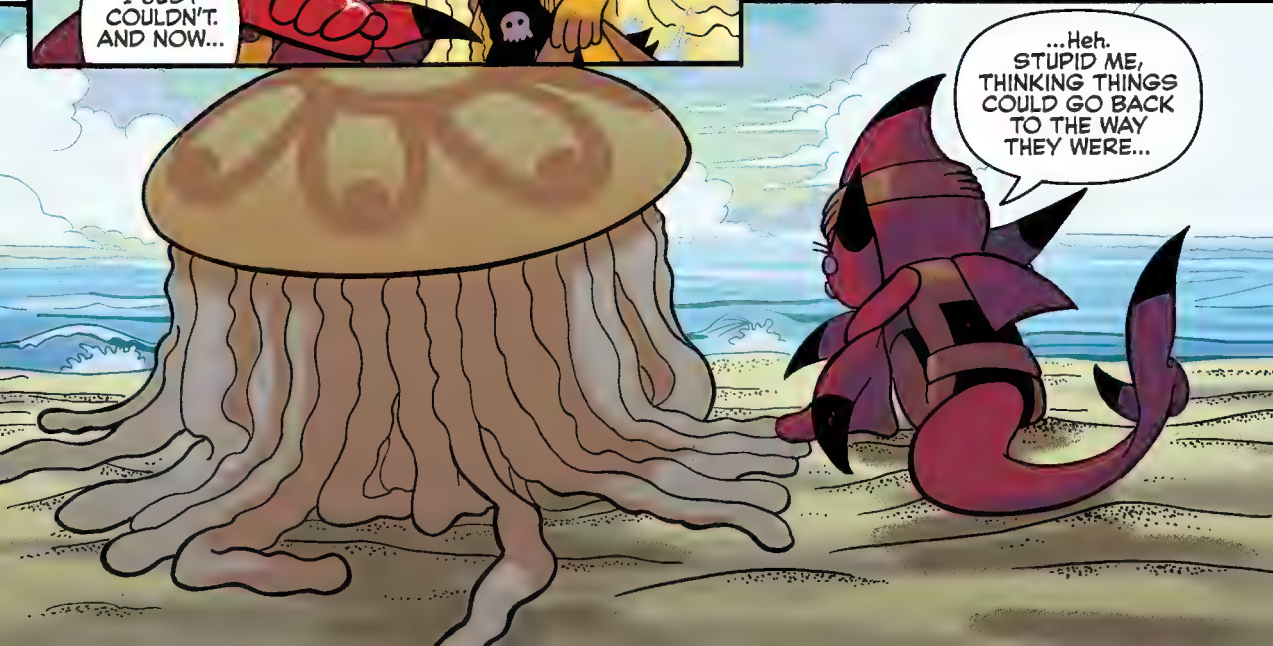
...Um... GUESS THERE'S THAT WHOLE  
PERSONAL BETRAYAL ANGLE TO IT,  
TOO... SO... YEAH.

...YOOUU  
GONNA BE  
OKAY?



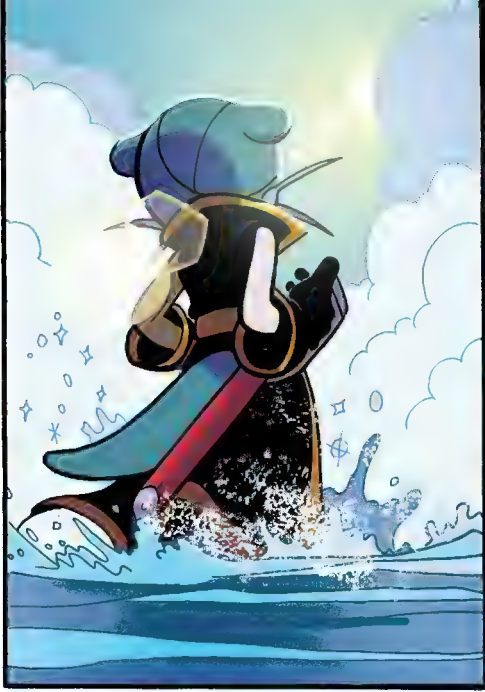
Y'KNOW... I  
WANTED TO  
FORGIVE HIM.  
I REALLY  
DID.

BUT  
I JUST  
COULDN'T.  
AND NOW...



...Heh.  
STUPID ME,  
THINKING THINGS  
COULD GO BACK  
TO THE WAY  
THEY WERE...

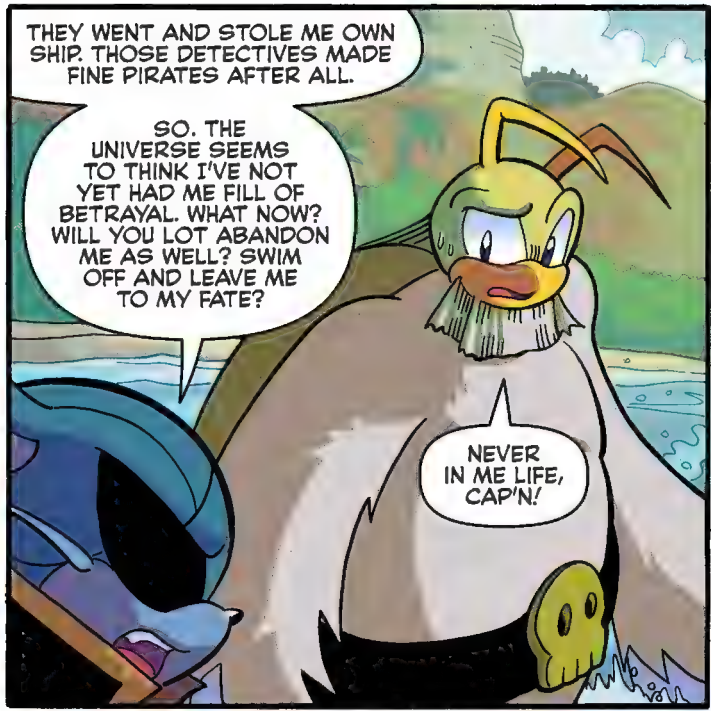




THEY WENT AND STOLE ME OWN SHIP. THOSE DETECTIVES MADE FINE PIRATES AFTER ALL.

SO. THE UNIVERSE SEEMS TO THINK I'VE NOT YET HAD ME FILL OF BETRAYAL. WHAT NOW? WILL YOU LOT ABANDON ME AS WELL? SWIM OFF AND LEAVE ME TO MY FATE?

NEVER IN ME LIFE, CAP'N!



AYE, WE WERE BETRAYED...LEFT ON AN UNKNOWN SPIT O' LAND IN THE MIDDLE O' NOWHERE...WE NEVER COLLECTED OUR RANSOMS...OUR PIRATE SHIP ITSELF WAS PIRATED...

BUT WE'VE COME BACK FROM WORSE! AND WE'LL DO IT AGAIN!

...AYE...HARDER AND STRONGER, WE'LL STRIKE BACK...



AND WOE BETIDE ALL THOSE WHO'D STAND IN OUR WAY!

O-OKAY, BUT...CAN SOMEONE GET ME DOWN NOW? PLEASE?



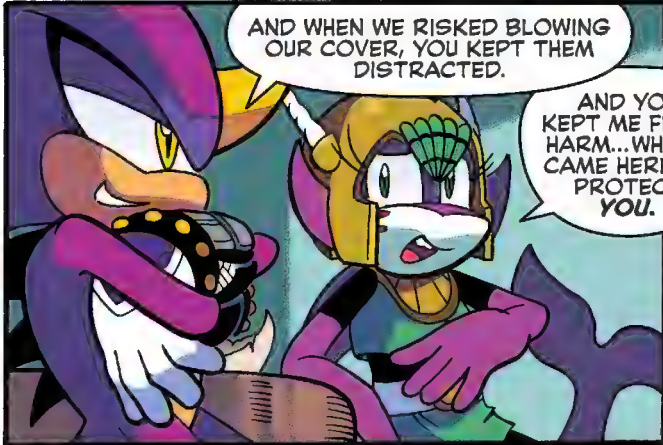




...SO WITH YOU DOING ALL THE TRANSLATING AND SUCH, YOU HAD THE PIRATES FOCUSED ON TREASURE HUNTING INSTEAD OF PIRATING?

YUP.

CRAFTY!



AND WHEN WE RISKED BLOWING OUR COVER, YOU KEPT THEM DISTRACTED.

AND YOU KEPT ME FROM HARM...WHEN I CAME HERE TO PROTECT YOU.



Oh, IT'S NO BIGGIE. I DIDN'T HAVE MANY OPTIONS, SO I FIGURED I'D JUST TRY TO KEEP THINGS UNDER CONTROL UNTIL HELP ARRIVED...



...AND IT DID! THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR EFFORTS.

GLAD TO BE OF SERVICE, PRINCESS! OF COURSE, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO GET YOU HOME AND--



Oh, I'M NOT GOING HOME.

...WHAT?





MY PARENTS DIDN'T EVEN WANT TO LET ME GO TO THE SURFACE FOR SCHOOL TO BEGIN WITH. YOU THINK AFTER ALL THIS THEY'D EVER LET ME LEAVE AGAIN? BESIDES, I LEFT SCHOOL BECAUSE I WANTED TO EXPERIENCE THE WORLD FIRSTHAND.

I THINK, ONE DAY, I'D LIKE TO BECOME THE OFFICIAL AMBASSADOR TO MEROPIS. SO, UNTIL THEN, I'M GOING TO KEEP TRAVELING!



BESIDES, NOW I HAVE MY VERY OWN SHIP!

PRINCESS, I WAS SENT BY YOUR PARENTS TO FIND YOU--

AND YOU DID! NICELY DONE.


B-BUT...



OF COURSE, I SUPPOSE IT *MIGHT* PUT SOME MINDS AT EASE IF I HAD A PERSONAL BODY-GUARD ON MY TRAVELS... DOESN'T THAT SOUND REASONABLE?

I... WELL, I SUPPOSE IT *DOES*...

GREAT!



RAZOR, THANK YOU FOR GOING TO ALL THIS TROUBLE FOR MY SAKE. PLEASE GIVE CORAL MY BEST WISHES.



Oh, Ah... OF COURSE...



AND AS FOR YOU BRAVE CHAOTIX--YOU WERE HIRED TO FIND ME, AND I'VE BEEN FOUND. I'M SURE MY PARENTS WILL REWARD YOU HANDSOMELY.

IT'S NOT ABOUT THE MONEY, PRINCESS. IT'S ABOUT DOING WHAT'S RIGHT!

...BUT ALSO MONEY.



CERTAINLY.



SAFE TRAVELS!

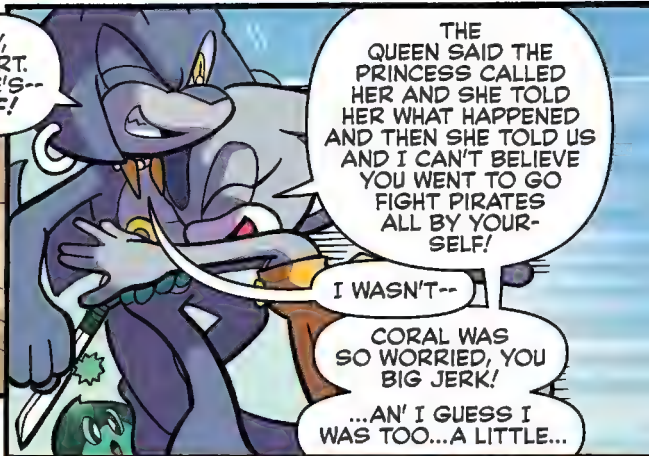




LATER, AT THE EUSEBES SHRINE...

RAZOR!  
YOU'RE  
BACK!

HEY,  
SQUIRT.  
WHERE'S--  
OOF!



THE  
QUEEN SAID THE  
PRINCESS CALLED  
HER AND SHE TOLD  
HER WHAT HAPPENED  
AND THEN SHE TOLD US  
AND I CAN'T BELIEVE  
YOU WENT TO GO  
FIGHT PIRATES  
ALL BY YOUR-  
SELF!

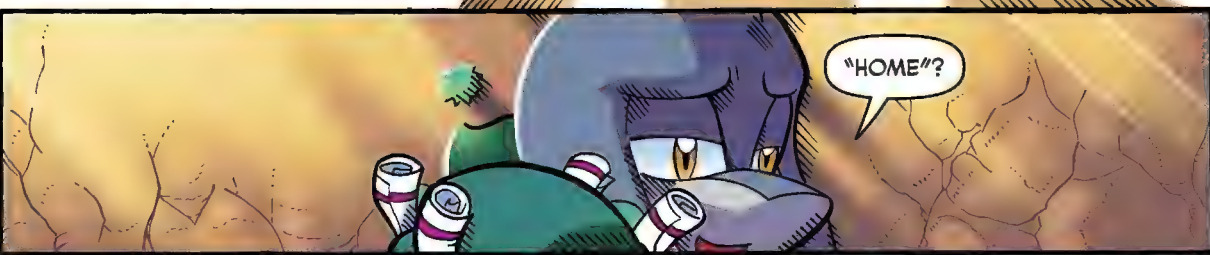
I WASN'T--

CORAL WAS  
SO WORRIED, YOU  
BIG JERK!

...AN' I GUESS I  
WAS TOO...A LITTLE...



I'M SO  
GLAD YOU'RE  
HOME.



"HOME"?



YEAH.

IT'S  
GOOD  
TO BE  
HOME.



AND BACK IN WESTOPOLIS...

HELLO THERE! WE'D LIKE TO CONVERT THESE MEROPAN SAND DOLLARS, PLEASE. CASH WILL BE FINE.

SAND... DOLLARS...? Uh, JUST A MOMENT...

THIS IS IT, BOYS! A LITERAL ROYAL REWARD! JUST THINK-- WE COULD GET ONE OF THOSE COFFEE/BREAKFAST-SANDWICH GIZMOS, A CHAIN MADE OUT OF REAL GOLD, A COLOR TV--OOH! A NEW GAME CONSOLE! WHAT'RE THEY UP TO NOW, 32-BIT?

...Huh, WE DO HAVE THESE ON INDEX...

OR--WE COULD DO SOMETHING PRACTICAL LIKE PAY THE RENT FIRST, BUY NEW LIGHTBULBS TO REPLACE THE NONEXISTENT ONES, PAY THE ELECTRIC BILL SO THAT THEY ACTUALLY WORK, GET A FUNCTIONAL LOCK FOR THE FRONT DOOR...

Um, SO... HERE'S THE CURRENT CONVERSION RATE...

WILL YOU BE WANTING THAT IN SMALL BILLS...OR SMALL BILLS?

I'M JUST GONNA KEEP MY SHARE.



THE DETECTIVE  
LIFE CAN BE  
TOUGH.

ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU  
DON'T GET THAT WINDFALL  
YOU WERE HOPING FOR.

'COURSE, WE'RE NOT IN  
IT FOR THE MONEY.

WE'RE  
HERE TO  
HELP  
OTHERS.

TO DO THE  
RIGHT THING.

TO BRING  
JUSTICE TO  
THOSE WHO  
DESERVE IT.

...NOT THAT THE  
MONEY ISN'T NICE,  
THOUGH...

IN THE END, I DIDN'T  
GET MY THESAURUS.  
AND ESPIO ONLY GOT  
A SIX-PACK OF  
LIGHTBULBS.

BUT HEY,  
CHARMY'S HAPPY,  
AT LEAST.

THAT'S GOTTA  
COUNT FOR  
SOMETHING,  
RIGHT?

THAT'S ANOTHER CASE  
CLOSED FOR *The*  
**CHAOTIX**  
JOIN US NEXT TIME FOR  
BRAND NEW ADVENTURES  
STARRING THE  
**FREEDOM  
FIGHTERS!**  
UNTIL THEN, DON'T  
MISS OUT ON  
**SONIC THE HEDGEHOG,  
SONIC SUPER DIGEST  
AND THE GRAPHIC  
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# Letter from the EDITOR

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## All's well that ends well!

Hey there, fellow detectives! Our favorite team of odd-ball private investigators may have finished their case, but we still have time to use our super-sleuth skills to inspect some cool concept art! Check 'em out!



Undina is clever. With her ditzzy charade, she made sure Echo was safe and kept the Pirate Crew off of the Chaotix's back.

## BLADE SHARK



Blade is Razor's older sister and has a temper as fierce as her natural color!

Co-writer Aleah Baker did a great job on these concepts and developing the story!

Next time we'll be checking in with Sonic's team of freedom fighting pals! What adventures await them? What new discoveries will be made? Which type of cheese is best?

See you then!

- Vincent "Vin" Lovallo  
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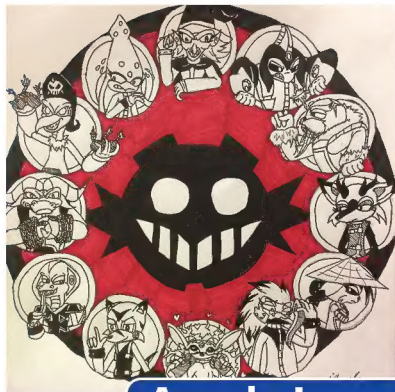


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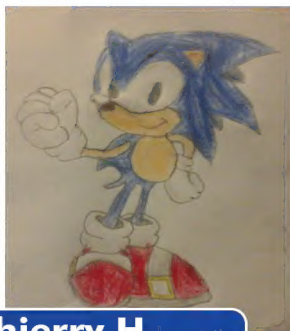


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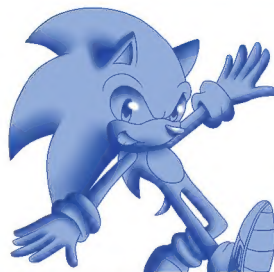


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## OFF PANEL

## YAR HAR, FIDDLE DI DEENA

OR

## BEING A PIRATE IS ALL RIGHT WITH SHE



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**PART ONE**

PEPPERS  
AMASZ  
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